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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** State Board of Education

**FROM:** Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution Regarding Talent Development Week

Attached is a draft resolution regarding Talent Development Week.

The resolution recognizes May 7-13, 2006, as Talent Development Week to coincide with the Gifted Education Archives Celebration.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the Resolution Regarding Talent Development Week, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 4, 2006.

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## RESOLUTION

### TALENT DEVELOPMENT WEEK

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education recognizes that children with exceptional talents have unique learning styles which require special planning and accommodations by school personnel to recognize, develop, and nurture; and

WHEREAS, the Board encourages school districts to establish policies which eliminate barriers and allow students to progress at their own rate and receive appropriate credit for course work completed, regardless of age or grade placement; and

WHEREAS, Talent Development programs have been created to help advanced learning students achieve the most out of their educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Board continues to be committed to the concept of support for intermediate and local school districts by providing consultant staff, program development, and sponsoring opportunities and experiences for talented students through advanced and accelerated Summer Institutes; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2006, the Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education will be celebrating the inclusion of an Archive Collection of Gifted Education in Michigan, 1941-2001, to the Library of Michigan, which will provide an understanding of the multi-variant influences that have promoted or diminished gifted education in Michigan schools, and to provide artifacts which verify both time and origin of these influences; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the week of May 7-13, 2006 be designated as **Talent Development Week** to coincide with the Gifted Education Archives celebration.